REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In order to expedite the disposition of the subject application, applicants, hereby cancel Claim 4, thereby placing the subject application in condition for allowance.

Applicants reserved the right to pursue the subject matter of any cancelled claims in a continuing application. Furthermore, claim 5 has been amended to delete SEQ ID NO:15.

Applicants submit that all the pending claims are allowable and respectfully solicit a Notice of Allowance for all of the pending claims. If the Examiner feels that a telephone interview would be helpful in advancing prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the attorney below.

Respectfully submitted,

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